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Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms. Psalm 95:2

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Dear Devoted Family of Supporters,

Thanksgiving provides a precious time each year to reflect upon the gifts that the Lord has so richly bestowed upon us. One of those precious gifts is you, our faithful supporters. We are grateful for your prayers, thoughtfulness, generosity, grace and nurturing over the past twenty-six years. Many helping hands allow Heart of the Shepherd to continue as a Christian Public non-profit organization, impacting our local community and the world. Without each of you, we would not have the opportunity to serve this generation and future generations.

Local outreach includes the Farm Museum, Bible Garden, Shepherding Tours, Woolly Weekend, Living Nativity, Wool Mill Tours, Pumpkin Festival, Gospel Singing, and Fair Trade Christian Gift Shop, to name a few. We estimate that approximately 60,000 visitors heard the Word of the Lord at the Shepherd's Cross location within the past year. Many visitors to the farm are seeking a word of encouragement from the Lord, or seeking the Lord for the first time. Many have been touched by His hand of grace through the work of this ministry.

Internationally, Heart of the Shepherd works with fellow organizations in approximately twenty nations, providing agricultural projects that empower local, indigenous, impoverished peoples. We provide a "hand-up," not a "hand-out," through projects such as starter herds and non-electric fiber mills in remote communities. Outreach includes Biblical agricultural training, and long-term relationship building. This year alone, through the international ministry, several thousand lives have been empowered.

Heart of the Shepherd's Endowment Fund assures that this work for the Lord will reach beyond our generation to impact future generations. Our objective is to raise \$25,000 by December 29th, 2017. The endowment organization with whom we are working will match \$2,500 when we reach that goal.

Donations may be received by mail, in person, over the phone or online at:
<http://ShepherdsCross.com/HeartOfTheShepherd.html>.

Donations are tax deductible. Please specify if you would like donations made towards the Endowment Fund, or toward a particular nation or outreach project.

Again, we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks for your generous support. May the Lord richly bless your generosity, and cover you with His grace this Thanksgiving season.

Shepherding the Flock,

Dr. Diane Dickinson

Executive Director, Heart of the Shepherd Inc. & Shepherd's Cross Inc.

"The Lord is my Shepherd." Psalm 23:1